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48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING MARCH 9, 2007 "LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO DAY" AT THE
SENATE.

WHEREAS, Las Vegas, New Mexico, was established in 1835 on
the Santa Fe trail after a group of settlers received a land
grant from the Mexican government; and

WHEREAS, the railroad arrived in 1880 when it set up a
maintenance and provisioning depot east of the old town and a
"new town" was established; and

WHEREAS, Las Vegas was one of the largest cities in the
southwest and host to its own opera house, a college, a Harvey
House hotel and a Carnegie library; and

WHEREAS, Las Vegas hosted a reunion of Teddy Roosevelt's
rough riders, the earliest recorded rodeo and many colorful
western characters and events; and

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WHEREAS, Las Vegas is a city rich with history and tradition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that March 9, 2007 be declared "Las Vegas, New Mexico Day" at the senate.